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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF UNIDO SECRETARIAT TO UN MEETING IN WASHINGTON

REF: VIENNA 2175

1. TWO UNIDO SECRETARIAT MEMBERS, ALMAMY SYLLA (MALI), DIRECTOR OF DIVISION OF CONFERENCE SERVICES, PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND LEILA DOSS (EGYPT), CHIEF OF PUBLIC INFORMATION SERVICES SECTION WILL BE IN WASHINGTON TO ATTEND REGULAR MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OF UN AND SPECIALIZED AGENCIES SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 7-10. MEETING IS BEING HOSTED BY IBRD INFORMATION SERVICE.

2. SYLLA, WITH WHOM MISSION HAS ENJOYED CLOSE RELATIONSHIP FOR SEVERAL YEARS, HAS EXPRESSED DESIRE TO MEET WITH WORKING LEVEL DEPARTMENTAL/AID OFFICIERS CONCERNED WITH ASSISTANCE TO LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. SYLLA, WHO HAS WIDE CONNECTIONS WITH AFRICAN LEADERS, IS CHAIRMAN OF UNIDO SECRETARIAT TASK FORCE CHARGED WITH DEVELOPING PROGRAM OF UNIDO ASSISTANCE TO LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN FOLLOW-UP OF SECTION IV OF THE LIMA DECLARATION. ACCORDING TO SYLLA, DRAFT PROPOSALS FOR UNIDO ACTION  
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HAVE BEEN PREPARED AND CIRCULATED INFORMALLY TO

GOVERNMENTS OF LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR COMMENT.  
SYLLA WOULD LIKE TO USE OCCASION OF HIS VISIT TO  
WASHINGTON PERSONALLY TO EXPLAIN UNIDO THINKING IN  
THIS RESPECT AND TO OBTAIN INFORMAL REACTIONS AND  
ADVICE. GIVEN OUR OFT-REPEATED CONCERN WITH THE  
PROBLEMS OF ASSISTANCE TO THE LEAST-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES,  
WE THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ARRANGE MEETING WITH  
SYLLA FOR THIS PURPOSE. (SEE ALSO REFTEL PARA 2).  
SYLLA WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING SOME REACTION TO HIS  
REQUEST BY SEPT. 5 WHEN HE DEPARTS FOR ROME. HE  
PLANS TO BE IN WASHINGTON SEPT. 8 TO 11.

3. BOTH SYLLA AND LEILA DOSS HAVE ALSO INDICATED  
READINESS TO MEET WITH ANY DEPT OFFICERS INTERESTED  
IN UNIDO PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTIVITIES. DOSS PLANS TO BE  
IN WASHINGTON SEPT. 6-10 AND CAN BE REACHED DURING  
THAT TIME THROUGH WORLD BANK'S PUBLIC INFORMATION  
SECTION. STIBRAVY

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